GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5911
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SETTING UP OF CONSUMER FORUMS
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether consumer courts/forums have been set up at State and District level;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the Union Government have provided any assistance to States for setting up said Courts/Forums; and

(d) if so, the detail thereof, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The number of the State Commissions and District Forums setup under the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 is given in the Annexure.

(c) & (d): No assistance was given to the States by the Central Government forsetting up the Commissions/Forums. However, in order to supplement the efforts of the States, One-Time-Grant of Rs. 61.80 crores was given during the period 1995-99 to the States for strengthening the infrastructure of the Commissions/Forums.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT OF STATE COMMISSIONS AND DISTRICT FORUMS SET UP UNDER THE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT, 1986

States / UTs	Number of State Commission	Number of District Forum
Andhra Pradesh	1	25
Arunachal Pradesh	1	13
Assam	1	23
Bihar & Jharkhand	1	55
Goa	1	2
Gujarat	1	19
Haryana	1	19
Himachal Pradesh	1	12
Jammu & Kashmir	1	2
Karnataka	1	22
Kerala	1	14
Madhya Pradesh & Chhattisgarh	1	61
Maharashtra	1	34
Manipur	1	8
Meghalaya	1	7
Mizoram	1	3
Nagaland	1	8
Orissa	1	31
Punjab	1	17
Rajasthan	1	33
Sikkim	1	4
Tamil Nadu	1	30
Tripura	1	3
Uttar Pradesh & Uttaranchal	1	87
West Bengal	1	19
A&N Islands	1	2
Chandigarh	1	2

D & N Haveli	1	1
Daman & Diu	1	2
Delhi	1	9
Lakshadweep	1	1
Pondicherry	1	1
TOTAL	32	569